नागर विमानन और पर्यटन मंत्री (श्री गुलाम नबी आजाद): (क) और (ख) जी, हां।

(ग) और (घ) भारतीय विमानपत्तन प्राधिकरण ने कुल्लू में हवाई पट्टी के चारों ओर सुरक्षा दीवार के निर्माण के लिए हिमाचल प्रदेश सरकार के लोक निर्माण विभाग के पास मई, 1995 में 36.89 लाख रुपये की राशि जमा करवाई थी। राज्य सरकार से कार्य शीघ्र पूरा करने का अनुरोध किया गया है।

Fast Track Power Projects

1456. SHRI SATISH AGARWAL: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the current status of the fast track power projects cleared by Government;

(b) the particulars of Power Projects actually implemented after the annoncement of the new Power Policy in 1991-92; and

(c) the steps being taken to ensure speedier and successful completion of power projects in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI URMILABEN CHIMANBHAI PATEL): (a) and (b) Out of the initial eight fast track private power projects for which Government had agreed to extend counter guarantee, six projects have been cleared by the Central Electricity Authority from techno-economic angle. One of the fast track projects viz. Dabhol Power Project Phase-I (695 MW), has achieved financial closure and construction had been started. However, the construction work on this project has been halted as per the directives of the State Government. Even though financial closure is awaited, construction work has also commenced on two of the other fast track projects viz. Jegurupadu CCGT (216 MW) and Godavari CCGT (208 MW).

(c) Even though the responsibility for ensuring timely completion of the private power projects, including those which are gas based, is that of the concerned State Governments/SEBs, Government of India periodically reviews the progress of all the private power proposals and takes all necessary steps to remove bottlenecks, if any, in the finalisation of the proposals.

वस्त्र निर्यात में कमी

1457. **श्री सोमपाल:** क्या वस्त्र मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार का ध्यान दिनांक 21 अक्तूबर, 1995 में 'इंडियन एक्सप्रेस' में वस्त्र निर्यात में हुई कमी के बारे में छपे समाचार की ओर दिलाया गया है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस मंदी के मुख्य कारण क्या है और क्या सरकार इस स्थिति से निपटने के लिए कोई नई नीति की घोषणा करने जा रही है; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है?

वस्त्र मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री कमल नाथ): (क) से (ग) जी हां। चालू वर्ष के दौरान परिधान निर्यात में वृद्धि की दर में गिरावट आने का मुख्य कारण भारतीय परिधानों के यूरोपीय यूनियन के बाद सबसे बड़े बाजार संयुक्त राज्य अमेरिका में मांग में गिरावट आना है। आर्थिक मंदी तथा फुटकर खरीद में कमी आने के कारण चालू वर्ष के दौरान संयुक्त राज्य अमरीका में परिधानों के बाजार में गिरावट आ रही है। सरकार ने 1.1.1996 से 31.12.1998 तक की अवधि के दौरान परिधानों के लिए निर्यात हकदारी नीति को पुन: सुदृढ़ बनाने का निर्णय लिया है ताकि उसे सुव्यवस्थित, अधिक प्रभावी तथा स्थाई बनाया जा सके। नई नीति के अनुसार वार्षिक स्तरों का वितरण केवल दो प्रणालियों अर्थात् विगत निर्यात निष्पादन हकदारी प्रणाली तथा पहले आओ पहले पाओ (एफ सी एफ एस) प्रणालियों में 80:20 के अनुपात से किया जाएगा। एफ सी एफ एस प्रणाली में ऐसे निर्यातकों के लिए एक पृथक प्रकोष्ठ उपलब्ध होगा जो अपने एककों को आधुनिक बनाने के लिए 50 लाख रु॰ से अधिक निवेश करते हैं। इसका उद्देश्य प्रौद्योगिकीय उन्नयन के साथ-साथ ऐसे नए निदेशकों को पैर जमाने के लिए प्रोत्साहन देना है।

Unions Functioning in ITDC

1458. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) how many unions are there in ITDC and where each of these unions is presently functioning;

(b) when did the last verification take place and what was the outcome in each case; the details thereof including the strength;

(c) whether any union has served any notice demanding verification and election, if so, the details and steps taken to accept the demand; and

(d) if the answer to part (c) is in the negative, the reasons therefor in each case?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) Presently, there are 96 unions operating in various establishments of ITDC. Unitwise details of these unions are given in Statement-I (*See* below).

(b) There is no statutory provision for verifying the comparative strength of the unions. Further in the units/offices where there is only one union, verification of strength is not needed. The reverification of the strength is normally done after a period of 2 years depending upon the necessity. In view of these facts, the last verification of the strength of the various unions has been done only in 9 different unions of ITDC, the details of which are given in Statement-II (*See* below).

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir, Requisite information is given in Statement-III (*See* below).

Statement-I

Unitwise Details of Unions Functioning in ITDC

Sl. No.	Name of the Unit	No. of Unions
1.	Ashok Hotel, New Delhi	05
2.	Samrat Hotel, New Delhi	03
3.	Qutab Hotel, New Delhi	02
4.	Kanishka Hotel, New Delhi	02
5.	Ashok Yatri Niwas, New Delhi	03
6.	Lodhi Hotel, New Delhi	03
7.	Janpath Hotel, New Delhi	03
8.	Ranjit Hotel, New Delhi	04
9.	IGI Airport Restt., New Delhi	02
10.	Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi	02
11.	Hyderabad House, New Delhi	01
12.	Bharatpur Forest Lodge, Bharatpur	02
13.	Hotel Bangalore Ashok, Bangalore	05
14.	Hotel Aurangabad Ashok, Aurangabad	02
15.	Hotel Hassan Ashok, Hassan	02
16.	Hotel Jammu Ashok, Jammu	02
17.	Hotel Khajuraho Ashok, Khajuraho	03
18.	Hotel Bodhgaya Ashok, Bodhgaya	02
19.	Lalitha Mahal Palace, Mysore	02
20.	Hotel Patliputra Ashok, Patna	02
21.	Hotel Agra Ashok, Agra	02
22.	Laxmi Vilas Place Hotel,Udaipur	01
23.	Hotel Jaipur Ashok, Jaipur	02
24.	Hotel Madurai Ashok, Madurai	01
25.	Hotel Varanasi Ashok,Varanasi	03
26.	Temple Bay Ashok Beach Resort, Mamallapuram	02
27.	Kovalam Ashok Beach Resort, Kovalam	06
28.	Hotel Airport Ashok,Calcutta	04
29.	Hotel Kalinga Ashok,Bhubaneshwar	03
30.	Hotel Manali Ashok, Manali	01
31.	Regional Office (West), Bombay	01
32.	Duty Free Shop, Bombay	01
33.	Ashok Travel & Tours, Bombay	01

Statement-II

Details of the last verification of strength of various unions

Sl. No.	Name of the Unit	Outcome of Verification	No.	Election Held on
1.	Ashok Hotel, New Delhi	INTUC	15.6%	
		AITUC	46.3%	14.12.1978
		CITU	4.0%	
		HMS	32.6%	
		BMS	1.0%	
2.	Janpath Hotel, New Delhi	INTUC	46.4%	20.05.1993
		AITUC	42.1%	
		HMS	7.3%	
3.	Samrat Hotel, New Delhi	INTUC	52.26%	31.05.1993
		AITUC	41.56%	

Sl. No.	Name of the Unit	Outcome of Verification	No.	Election Held on
		HMS	2.20%	
4.	Qutab Hotel, New Delhi	INTUC	52.0%	04.06.1993
		HMS	48.0%	
5.	Kanishka Hotel, New Delhi	INTUC	55.0%	05.09.1994
		AITUC	45.0%	
6.	Lodhi Hotel, New Delhi	INTUC	48.85%	25.09.1993
		HMS	42.40%	
		AITUC	8.75%	
7.	Ranjit Hotel, New Delhi	INTUC	29.8%	30.08.1995
		AITUC	32.76%	
		HMS	33.0%	
		JHWU	4.0%	
8.	Ashok Yatri Niwas, New Delhi	INTUC	55.0%	19.08.1994
		AITUC	45.0%	
9.	Hotel Airport Ashok, Calcutta	UIEU	64.58%	26.12.1992
		AHARSU	34.58%	

INTUC	Indian National Trade Union Congress
AITUC	All India Trade Union Congress
HMS	Hind Mazdoor Sabha
BMS	Bhartiya Mazdoor Sangh
JHWU	Janpath Hotel Workers Union
UIEU	United ITDC Employees Union
AHARSU	Airport Hotel & Airport Restt. Sharamik Union
CITU	Centre of Indian Trade Union

Statement-III

Details of Union demand for verification election

Sl. No	Name of the Unit	Name of the Union which has demanded verification election (Reference of demand)	Comments of/Action taken by the Management
1	2	3	4
1.	Ashok Hotel, New Delhi	Ashok Hotel Mazdoor Janta Union (HMS) letter dated 14.9.1993	Management notified the election to be held on 22.3.95: Two Unions objected to holding of election by quoting a judgement of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the case of Food Corporation of India on technical ground that the election be conducted by the Chief Labour Commissioner (c) and not by the Management. In view of the dispute raised by the two unions the elections were kept in abeyance and will now be held only during the lean season i.e. after March, 1996.

2.	Kanishka Hotel, New Delhi	All India ITDC Employees Union (AITUC) (Notion dated 4.9.95)	The Union has demanded a mid term election. Since the next election would be due only in Sept. 96 no action is required to be taken at present.
3.	Lodhi Hotel, New Delhi	All India ITDC Mazdoor Janta Union (HMS) (letter dated 23.9.95	The Union has been informed that keeping in view the peak business season, the election will be held only after March, 1996.
4.	Qutab Hotel, New Delhi	All India ITDC SC/ ST/Gen Employees Union (HMS) (letter dated 17.7.95)	The next verification election will become one only after 21.12.95. However, keeping in view the peak tourists season the election will be held after March, 1996.
5.	Hotel Janpath, New Delhi	All India Parytan Jan Mazdoor Sabha (HMS)(letter dated 08.11.95)	Keeping in view the peak business season, it is not possible to hold election at present. As such the election now be held during the lean season i.e. after March, 1996.
6.	Hotel Airport Ashok, Calcutta	United ITDC Employees Union (letter dated 11.8.95)	The Management has already notified the election which is schedule to be held on 19.1.96

Power Generation from Indravati Power Project

1459. SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the target date fixed for the generation of power from Indravati Project in Orissa;

(b) the progress made to expedite completion of the multipurpose project so that the power is generated at the earliest; and

(c) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI URMILABEN CHIMANBHAI PATEL): (a) The Upper Indravati Hydroelectric Project (4x150 MW), a component of Upper Indravati Multipurpose Project is programmed for commissioning in 1997-98 subject to availability of funds.

(b) and (c)Three dams out of the four dams, two link channels and all dykes of the reservoir have been completed. The balance civil works have been awarded.

Prosecution of Cloth Merchant in Ahmedabad Pursuant to I.T. Raids

1460. SHRI JALALUDIN ANSARI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to refer to answer to unstarred question 7825 given in the Rajya Sabha on 30th May, 1995 and state:

(a) details of steps taken by Income-tax Department for getting vacation of the stay of criminal proceedings in criminal misc. application No. 145/82 granted by Gujrat High Court almost 14 years back;

(b) if no step has been taken all these years in the matters, reasons therefor; and

(c) the details of steps proposed, if any, by Income-tax Department for getting said stay vacated and initiating expeditious prosecution of Ramesh Kumar Agarwala?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M.V. CHANDRASHEKHAR MURTHY): (a) to (c) The Standing Counsel has moved the High Court of Gujrat for expeditious disposal of the matter.